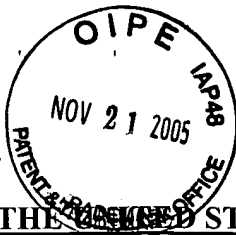


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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2005, said period of response being extended from August 17, 2005 to November 17, 2005.

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